# Alamo Police Services Advisory Committee

Joe Rubay, Chair Christy Campbell, Vice Chair Ross Hillesheim Dr. Alden Harken Karen McPherson Larry Shields Robert Brannan



Office of the Sheriff Lt. Scott Wooden, Station Commander Dep. Lance Wallace

The Alamo Police Service Advisory Committee serves as an advisory body to the Contra Costa County Board of Supervisors.

# P2B/Alamo Police Services Advisory Committee Monday, January 9 at 5:30pm RECORD OF ACTIONS

VIRTUAL MEETING pursuant to Government Code Section 54953(e)
Zoom Meeting ID: 879 6613 0653

Password: 642564

## 1. CALL TO ORDER, ROLL CALL

Meeting called to order at 5:32pm. All Members Present.

# 2. PUBLIC COMMENT (3 minutes/speaker)

Austin Brannon told us that he is in the 8th grade at Stone Valley Middle School and that he is auditing our meetings in partial completion of his community service merit badge working toward an Eagle Scout

Ross suggested that we begin our meetings with the Pledge of Allegiance. This was accomplished

#### 3. REVIEW AND APPROVE PRIOR MEETING RECORD OF ACTIONS

Move to approve the December 2022 Record of Actions. Unanimous approval.

# 4. POLICE REPORT

- a. Officer Pruitt, CHP
- b. Deputy Lance Wallace, CCCSO

Four home burglaries in the month of November and seven last month. A common theme for the rest of the meeting was residential home burglaries. Both Lt Wooden and Deputy Wallace assured us that crime is low in P2B but residential home burglaries in affluent neighborhoods have increased throughout the entire Bay Area.

#### Follow Up:

- Sheriff's Office regarding safety tips (to be used in our enewsletter and on NextDoor)
- Follow up with Alamo Today and ask about space in the newspaper

Sharon noted that our LAFCO application requires names and addresses of about 1200 parcel owners and this process is a formidable burden for one person. Christy Campbell and Kristen Parker volunteered to help. Sharon wisely observed that this is going to be a "real slog"

Mailing Address for Alamo Police Services Advisory Committee is Office of the Sheriff, Alamo Substation, 150 Alamo Plaza, Suite C, Alamo, CA 94507 We returned to the discussions of LAFCO, residential burglaries, overtime for our P2B deputy, an additional police car and the schedule for the installation of our cameras. In developing a cohesive community process Sharon, Christy and Cameron questioned: "Do people who are not in P2B want to be in P2B"; "Do most people know whether they are in P2B?"; "Do most people know the boundaries of P2B? "Do most P2B residents know that we have a dedicated P2B deputy that cross covers with other communities when needed – and the reverse?" and "do members of P2B know that Round Hill has two dedicated deputies for which they pay \$ 450 annually per parcel while we in P2B have one deputy for which we pay \$ 67. This discussion rapidly morphed into a general need for enhanced community education, community communication and community participation.

Fortunately, Ross indicated that we do have the funds for deputy overtime or the renting of an accessible/comfortable site for community education.

#### 5. NEW BUSINESS

a. P2B 2023 Chair
 Ross Hillesheim will be Chair for 2023; Joe Rubay will be Vice Chair

# 6. OLD BUSINESS

- a. Status of FLOCK Cameras
- b. Draft Bylaws

Our draft bylaws were approved at our last meeting, but the burdens of committee leadership were acknowledged. Cameron noted that we do not really have a treasurer because that position does recount our financial status but does not make fiscal policy. We therefore acknowledged the elimination of our treasurer position and Ross volunteered to accept chair responsibility, Joe will assume the position of vice-chair and Alden will remain secretary.

- Membership Expirations
   Karen McPherson's board application apparently came in late and she will not formally rejoin APSAC until our next meeting
- d. Discussion of the recent increase in home break-ins and burglaries

## 7. FINANCIAL REPORT - Ross Hillesheim

Ross provided a characteristically comprehensive report and the good news is that we seem to be spending \$ 4,000 to \$ 6,000 less than we are receiving each month so we do have some funds available for the community education that we appear to be planning. Indeed, Ross predicts as much as a \$ 170,000 surplus this year.

#### 8. COMMUNITY ORGANIZATION REPORTS/UPCOMING DATES

- a. Alamo Improvement Association (Joe Rubay)
- b. Alamo Rotary Club (Karen McPherson)
- c. Alamo MAC (Robert Brannan)

## 9. ONGOING ITEMS

a. Patrol vehicle, equipment updates and needs, including bicycle, uniforms, and training and continuing education for Deputy Wallace.

- b. Update on necessary supplies including stickers, shirts, hats, food, and beverages for volunteers.
- c. Voluntary security camera registration program.

# 10. ADJOURN

Adjourn at 6:59pm.